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1. (Unclassified - JGO) Met with Miss Cathy Parham, in the office of Representative Bob Wilson (R., Calif.), and discussed briefly with her the Agency's response to a letter concerning retirement benefits [REDACTED] 25X1 Miss Parham will check our response with the case officer who is absent on vacation and will call if anything further is desired.

25X1 2. (Secret - JGO) Met with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and gave him a verbal rundown on the estimated funding for [REDACTED] which he had requested. In response to his question concerning the press reports relating to [REDACTED] I 25X1 reviewed with him Mr. Colby's letter of 18 August. Preston seemed satisfied with the response. I also outlined for him the handling of the GAO request through the Department of State on American personnel in Southeast Asia requested by Representative Bella Abzug (D., N. Y.). Preston had no question on the withholding of such information from an unclassified report. I left with Preston two copies (#106 and 107) of the paper "Problems in Comparing US and Soviet Warships by Designation" for use by the Committee staff. As for Committee hearings after the recess, Preston indicated that he is fairly certain that Committee time during the first couple of weeks at least will be taken up with hearings on military procurement. In consequence, he does not think the Committee will get around to the intelligence budget much before 1 October. Charles Briggs, D/PPB, has been advised.

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3. (Unclassified - GLC) With regard to the call from Rich Gilmore, Staff Member, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, yesterday, Maurice Ernst, OER, advised that while we receive a good bit of traffic on the subject of European standards developments the Agency really did not follow this subject as such. He suggested we refer Gilmore to Jonathan Showe, Special Assistant to the Office of the Special Trade Representative (395-6971) and Michael Guhin, NSC Staff (456-6963). He added that if necessary he could have one of his analysts familiarize himself with this subject but it would take a little time to do this. I told Ernst I would check with Bill Colby since the original call from Gilmore came on a referral from Tom McCoy.

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4. (Confidential - GLC) [] EUR, called to say Fred Ladd, State Department, had been in touch with him with regard to the proposed travel of Messrs. Moose and Lowenstein, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, to Europe later this fall. Ladd said State was preparing a field message on this travel which they would coordinate with us. [] will be in touch with us further.

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5. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Called Kelly Kleinman, in the office of Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.), and explained to her that the [] is routine and minimal and that we would not be able to provide a briefing for Harrington on the "true story" of U.S. activities [] (See Journal for 15 August 1973.) She said she clearly understood and that she would contact the State Department and try to arrange a suitable briefing.

6. (Unclassified - SMG) Virginia Skeen, in the office of Representative Ken Hechler (D., W. Va.), called and said they would like maps of Mexico, Guatemala and British Honduras. I told her that someone would drop them by later in the week.

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